

**MODEL FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE for Communities in *[County Name]*, AZ** which have delegated the responsibility of floodplain management to the Flood Control District of *[Name of County]* County

*[Community Name (e.g., Town of Clarkdale)]*, Arizona  
**Ordinance No. 2005-xxx**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE *[Community Name]*, *[COUNTY NAME]* COUNTY, ARIZONA, PERTAINING TO THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE REVISED FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS, AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.**

**WHEREAS**, the *[Community Name]*, Arizona joined the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as a separate community on *[date Community joined the Regular Program of the NFIP]*; and,

**WHEREAS**, the *[Community Name]*, under the National Flood Insurance Program is the entity responsible for floodplain administration within the City/Town; and,

**WHEREAS**, the continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program is in the best interest of the citizens of the *[Community Name]*; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency published a Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map for *[Name of County]* County and incorporated areas on *[Date]*; and,

**WHEREAS**, each community that participates in the National Flood Insurance Program is required to adopt floodplain management regulations consistent with Federal criteria; and,

**WHEREAS**, the *[Community Name]*, has previously delegated the responsibility of floodplain management to the Flood Control District of *[Name of County]* as provided for in ARS 48-3610; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Flood Control District of *[Name of County]* has adopted Floodplain Regulations that meet the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program; and

**WHEREAS**, those certain documents entitled “Flood Insurance Study for *[Name of County]* County, Arizona and Incorporated Areas dated *[Date]*” and “Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated *[Date]*” and “Floodplain Management Regulations for *[Name of County]* County *[Date]*” are hereby designated as public records.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the *[Community Name]*, Arizona, as follows:

**Section 1.** The *[City/Town (Title of a community official)]* is appointed/designated as the Floodplain Manager for the City/Town and will serve as the community point of contact on National Flood Insurance Program issues for County, State and Federal officials.

**Section 2.** Those public records entitled “Flood Insurance Study for *[Name of County]* County, Arizona, and Incorporated Areas dated *[Date]*” and “Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated *[Date]*” and all subsequent amendments and/or revisions, *[Number of copies]* copies of which shall be kept on file in the office of the City/Town Clerk, are hereby adopted by reference, as the basis for establishing the special flood hazard areas for floodplain management in the *[Community Name]*. The special flood hazard areas documented in the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps are the minimum area of applicability of the floodplain management regulations and may be supplemented by studies for other areas as allowed in the regulations.

**Section 3.** That public record in the Floodplain Management Regulations for *[Name of County]* County *[Date]*, *[Number of copies]* copies of which shall be kept on file in the office of the City/Town Clerk, is hereby adopted as the legal basis for implementing floodplain management in this community.

**Section 4.** Repeal of conflicting ordinances. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 5.** Severability. If any portion of this ordinance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, all remaining portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 6.** Providing for penalties. *[if applicable, insert City/Town’s penalty clause, or reference city ordinance, or delete this section and penalties will be as provided for in the Floodplain Regulations]*.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the Mayor and Council of the *[Community Name]*, *[County]* County, Arizona, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town Clerk

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Mayor

***Note: The NFIP only requires one copy of the documents. However, the State or some communities could have a higher number of copies required. If the community or the State does require more copies to be kept on file, that number should be used in the ordinance.***

Date: 8-10-2005